Reduction of school fees.

169. *MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that the enhancement of school fees this year (1111) has caused extreme hardship to the public and

(*b*) whether they have received representations from the people to reduce the fees at least to the level at which they were last year and what steps have been taken by Government to alleviate the people's sufferings in that direction?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) No.

(*b*) *First Part.* No.

Second Part. This does not arise in view of the answer to part(*a*).

The Travancore Labour Association, Alleppey.

170. *MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Travancore Labour Association, Alleppey, applied for registration of their Association;

(*b*) whether the Government refused to register the Association; and

(*c*) if so, the reason for the refusal?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The grant of a license is discretionary on the part of Government. The Government do not consider it in the public interest to disclose the reasons which weighed with them in refusing the license.

Appointment of Assistant Sirkar Vakil, Trivandrum.

171. *MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is a fact that one Mr. Padmanabha Pillai was appointed early in 1111 as Assistant Sirkar Vakil, Trivandrum;

(*b*) the date on which he took charge as Assistant Sirkar Vakil

(*d*) the date on which he handed over charge

(*d*) the period for which he was in service; and

(*e*) the remuneration due to him on account of his service?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*);

(*a*) There is no such post as Assistant Sirkar Vakil, Trivandrum.

(*b*), (*c*), (*d*) and (*e*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), these do not arise.

Irrigation works in the Mavelikara taluk.

172. MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): With reference to the answer to parts (a) and (b) of question No, 242, asked at the meeting

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